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***SENATE
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
No. 505***

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF LEGENDARY MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAMER EDWARD EVANS AND COMMENDING HIS LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE.

WHEREAS, it is with sadness that we note the passing of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College (MGCCC) Athletic Hall of Famer Edward Evans, a member of the 1948 Co-National Championship Football Team, who passed away October 12, 2018, at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, Edward A. Evans was born in Perkinston, Mississippi, on April 16, 1930. He was one of the few players, if not the only player, to letter in football six years at Perkinston. He was a four-year-letter winner for Perkinston Agricultural High School, and he lettered twice for Perkinston Junior College. Edward also played baseball, basketball and ran track; and

WHEREAS, Evans was a two-time First-Team All-State selection in football and played on the 1948 team that won the State

Championship and earned Co-National Champion Honors after winning the Laurel Lions Bowl. He was Captain of the 1949 team; and

WHEREAS, Evans went on to play two years of football at Mississippi State College, now Mississippi State University, then a year of service football at Fort Jackson, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, he returned to Perkinston and began coaching in 1956, and three years later became the Head Football Coach. In 1961, Evans hired George Sekul as backfield coach, and Sekul went on to become the school's all-time winningest Head Coach; and

WHEREAS, Evans coached the winning East squad in the All-American Junior College Bowl at Albuquerque, New Mexico. He left coaching in 1962 to begin a career as an Administrator; and

WHEREAS, during his time as a Coach and Administrator, Evans served as Perkinston High School Coach and Principal, member of the College Building Program, member of the Federal Manpower Training Program, Director of Maintenance and Transportation, and Administrative Assistant for Vocational Instruction; and

WHEREAS, Evans retired from MGCCC in 1991, after 34 years of service, and the MGCCC Alumni Association awarded him the Sam Owens Trophy in 1996 for his service to the school; and

WHEREAS, Evans was preceded in death by his wife, Myra Evans. He is survived by his son, Butch Evans; two daughters, Joy Lehman (Chuck) and DeeDee (Quent); four grandchildren: Cissy Meadows (Bruce), Kasey Lott (Clint), Clint Hatten and Jake Hatten; four great-grandchildren: Parker Smith (Brittany), Madelyn Meadows,

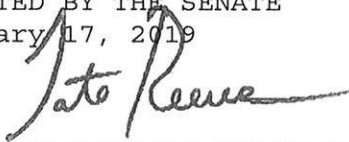
Miles Meadows and Landon Meadows; three great-great-grandchildren: Aubree Smith, Kendall Lott, and Shelby Lott; one brother, Dinkey Evans; and one sister, Jerry Bradley; and

WHEREAS, we pay tribute and cherish fondly the memory of this legendary sports mentor and public-spirited citizen of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby extend the condolences of the Mississippi Legislature to the bereaved family of legendary Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Athletic Hall of Famer Edward Evans and commend his legacy of excellence.

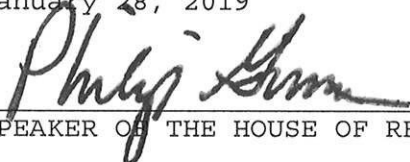
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to the surviving family of Edward Evans, forwarded to the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
January 17, 2019



PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
January 28, 2019



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES